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TO: Missouri Local Public Health Agencies, Missouri Influenza Sentinel Physicians

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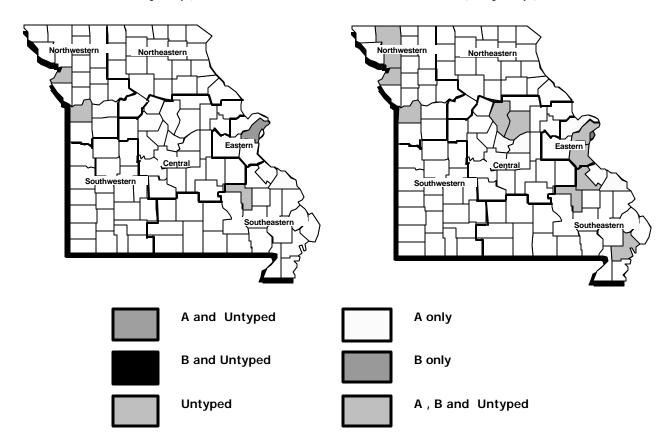
SUBJECT: Weekly Missouri Influenza Report 2001-2002 Season

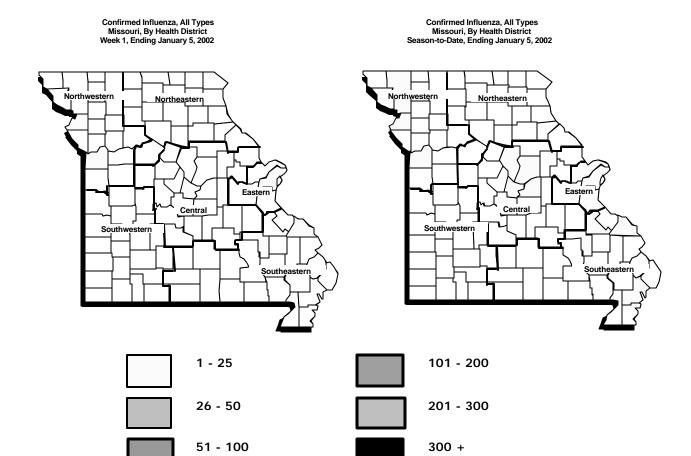
(All data in this report are provisional and may change as reports are updated.)

Missouri is reporting "sporadic" influenza activity to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Week: 1	For the Week Ending: January 5, 2002						
Reported Laboratory Confirmed Cases This season's subtypes:	A (non-typed)	A (H3N2)	A (H1N1)	В	A or B untyped (rapid test)	Total	
Week:	3	0	0	1	4	8	
Season-to-Date Totals*	30	0	0	3	26	59	

Confirmed Influenza, Type A, B, or A/B Undifferientiated Missouri, By Health District Week 1 Ending January 5, 2002 Confirmed Influenza, Type A, B, or A/B Undifferientiated Missouri, By Health District Season-to-Date, Ending January 5, 2002





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Clusters/Outbreaks of Influenza-Like Illness								
Health District	Central	Eastern	NE	NW	SE	SW	YTD	Last Season YTD
School Closings							0	1
Community Outbreaks							0	0
LTC Facility								
Outbreaks							0	2
Other Outbreaks							0	0

Week: 52	For the Week Ending: December 29, 2001					
	Season- to-date	Week 52	Week 52 Last Season*	10 Year Median		
Pneumonia & Influenza Deaths	371	32	21	29		

Week: 1	For the Week Ending: January 5, 2002					
U.S. Influenza Sentinel	Age	Age	Age	Age	Total	
Physicians Surveillance Network	0-4	5-24	25-64	65 +	Patients Seen	
Influenza-like illness for week	0	5	4	0	1048	

The recently implemented High Alert Surveillance System (HASS) has replaced the Sentinel Active Surveillance System (SASS) reporting method for influenza-like illness in some counties. The Active Surveillance Table illustrating influenza-like illness and pneumonia-like illness has been removed from this report. Future inclusion of HASS respiratory illness data is under consideration.

Sources of Data: Laboratory confirmed cases are reported to the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services (DHSS) passive communicable disease surveillance system through the disease registry. Suspected influenza clusters and outbreaks are reported through the active surveillance system. Pneumonia and influenza deaths are reported through the DHSS Bureau of Vital Records. Influenza-like illness data by age category and total number of patient visits by week are reported voluntarily by participants in the U.S. Influenza Sentinel Physicians Surveillance Network.

*The influenza season begins with week 40 (week ending October 6, 2001) and ends with week 20 (week ending May 18, 2002). The influenza season for previous years extended from week 46 through week 17. Therefore, the 10-year median is from week 46 through week 17 only.

This report may also be found on the DHSS homepage at www.dhss.state.mo.us at Diseases & Conditions. National influenza surveillance information is available from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention at www.cdc.gov/ncidod/diseases/flu/weekly.htm.

The Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services after hours emergency number is (573) 751-4674.